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In re patent application of

Rappaport et al.

Serial No.: 09/632,803

Group Art Unit: 2763

Filed: August 4, 2000

Examiner: not known

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EFFICIENTLY VISUALIZING AND  
COMPARING COMMUNICATION NETWORK SYSTEM  
PERFORMANCE

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on August 4, 2000. No office actions have been issued to date. Applicant requests entry of the following amendments prior to examination on the merits.

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claims as follows (a clean copy of the new claims is attached as Appendix 1):

33. A method for designing, deploying, optimizing or maintaining a communications network or communications networks, comprising the steps of:

providing

(A) a computerized model which represents a physical environment in which a communications network is or will be installed, said computerized model providing a display of at least a portion of said physical environment,

(B) performance attributes for a plurality of system components which may be used in said physical environment, and

one or more of

(C) one or more prediction models which use the computerized model and

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Invention: System and Method for Efficiently Visualizing and Comparing Communication Network System Performance

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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>						\$0.00
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